

**PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY**

CODE: IHA

BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

In keeping with its commitment to provide equal educational opportunities for each child, the Board approves the planning and implementation of a standards based curriculum. It is the Board's belief that such a curriculum will, in time, ensure that each child is allowed to develop to the child's fullest potential and develop a deeper appreciation of the value of a good education. We further believe that parents and the community at large will develop a stronger commitment to assist and support a standards based curriculum.

A standards based curriculum is one in which instructional objectives are clearly defined along with skills to be taught in each grade, subject, and course, with system-wide consensus about performance expectations for skill mastery.

More specifically, this curriculum design will ensure that:

- instructional objectives are defined for each grade, subject, and course and that instruction is centered around state and district standards and benchmarks and is assessed by PAWS, district assessments, national standardized assessments and other assessments.
- skills to be taught in each grade, subject, and course are clearly defined and taught consistently throughout the school system;
- students and parents are given information about skills to be taught in each grade, subject, and course, and requirements for passing, at the beginning of the school year or semester; and
- parents be given information about how they can assist students and support teachers' efforts to help each child achieve his maximum potential.

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